

# EDWARD THOMPSON DEAD; ONCE POSTMASTER OF CITY, LATER OF HAVANA

End Comes Quickly and Unexpectedly After a Serious Illness of Only a Few Hours.

## DUE TO SUDDEN COLLAPSE

Former Official in Poor Health and Out of Active Business Life for Two Years.

## IN THE CUBAN SERVICE

Freed from All Suspicion in the Investigation of the Insular Postoffice.

Edward Payne Thompson, for many years closely identified with the local postoffice both as postmaster and assistant postmaster, and later postmaster of the office at Havana, Cuba, died very suddenly last night, shortly after 11 o'clock, at his home, 1438 Central avenue. Although Mr. Thompson had been in poor health for two years, his death at this time was unexpected, and he was not considered seriously ill until noon of yesterday. His physician, Dr. Brennan, attributes his death to a sudden general collapse.

He was born in Salem, Ind., June 15, 1841, and when a small child came here with his father, Judge John H. Thompson, whose residence stood on the site of the present postoffice building. When a young man he attended Asbury University, now De Pauw. While in his junior year at college he enlisted in Company K, Sixteenth Indiana Volunteers, and went clear through the civil war.

At the close of the war he married Miss Mary Williams, daughter of Hon. William Williams, a prominent statesman of Warsaw. In 1868 he was appointed assistant postmaster of the Indianapolis postoffice and served continuously until 1885, when he left the service under a doctor's order. He was serving in this capacity when he was appointed to the postal service in Cuba in 1899 by President McKinley. During his work in Havana, the postal scandal, in which so many prominent Indians were implicated developed. Mr. Thompson came in for a part of the general criticism, and was relieved from office pending an investigation of an alleged violation of the insular postal laws.

During the time he was out of office in Cuba he was employed by a street car company in Havana. Mr. Thompson was later exonerated from the slightest suspicion of any criminal act during the investigation of the irregularities in the insular postal service, and he returned to Indianapolis two years ago. His health has not permitted his engaging in active business life since his return.

Mr. J. H. Thompson, an only brother, lives in Chicago, and three daughters, Mrs. W. G. Maule and Misses Caroline and Mary Thompson, live here. The latter two resided with their father at the time of his death.

The funeral will be held from the residence Monday afternoon, the exact hour to be decided later.

## FIREMEN CRUSHED BY FALLING WALLS

Two Men Are Killed and Fifteen Injured While Fighting Flames at Newark, N. J.

NEWARK, N. J., April 23.—Two firemen were killed and fifteen others injured today at a fire in a six-story brick building on Mechanic street, occupied by Weiner & Co., saddlery hardware manufacturers.

While the fire was at its height a score of firemen were on the roof of the building fighting the flames. The roof, which was one-story brick structure adjoining the Weiner building, which blew out the wall of that building and three stories of the side wall of the Weiner structure crashed down on the firemen. The building, on the roof of which they were standing, was smashed like an egg shell and the men were buried under a huge mass of brick and timber. Three of the firemen were in a dying condition when taken out. Two died on the way to the hospital.

The dead are: William B. Crane and Jacob Bleyer.

Donahue, Fireman Leo Ross and Frederick A. Reiff may not recover.

Among the injured firemen were the chief of the department, Robert E. Kierstead, Battalion Chief Robert F. Morgan and Captains Theodore Wolf and Russell Berghaus.

## CZARINA PREPARING FOR THE STORK'S VISIT

ST. PETERSBURG, April 23.—The Czarina is taking such interest in the dainty little wardrobe which is being prepared under her personal supervision at the Winter Palace that she no longer appears at public functions. The royal stork is expected to appear in the banks of the Neva late in the summer and the prayers of all the Czars' subjects will be for an heir to the throne.

## BODY OF A RUNAWAY WIFE FOUND IN RIVER

CHICAGO, April 23.—The body of a woman found in the Desplaines river at Maywood was today identified as that of Mrs. Caroline Lipp, wife of John William Lipp, who recently ran away from her home with the Henkle of the building in which she lived. Search for the janitor is being made. It is believed the woman was murdered.

## PATIENT ENDS LIFE, DESPITE HIS NURSES

ZANESVILLE, O., April 23.—After attempting to commit suicide to-night by cutting an artery with broken glass, Edward Henkle, of Detroit, fought back five nurses at the City Hospital and jumped fifteen feet down an elevator shaft, dying shortly afterward. Henkle was employed at the Zanesville malleable iron shops and was admitted to the hospital as a pneumonia patient.

## CASEY MURDERED ON LOUISVILLE STREET

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 23.—James J. Casey, city salesman for a Louisville whisky house, was found on the street today with his skull crushed. The coroner has returned a verdict of murder.



EDWARD P. THOMPSON.  
He Served as Postmaster of Indianapolis and Later at Havana.

## RUMOR THAT JAPANESE HAVE LANDED 20,000 MEN CLOSE TO PORT ARTHUR

Report Current in St. Petersburg Last Night, but Could Not Be Confirmed.

## OTHER RUMORS DENIED

Story that Japanese Lost 7,000 Men on the Yalu Is Discredited.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 23.—A report is current that the Japanese have landed 20,000 troops at Kin-Chau, just above Port Arthur. This report cannot be confirmed to-night.

A rumor that the Japanese lost 7,000 men in a fight while attempting to land on the Yalu river is officially discredited here.

The Russians have placed guns in positions covering the crossings of the Yalu river. While General Kuropatkin desired that the Japanese shall enter Manchuria, he proposes that they shall pay as dearly as possible for the privilege without precipitating a general engagement. Major General Kashtelnikoff begged General Kuropatkin for permission to engage the enemy, but the commander-in-chief strictly forbade even small skirmishes where it was possible to avoid them. It is thought that General Kuropatkin intend to deliver the decisive battle himself in the meantime the cavalry and the artillery at the front are engaged in constant drill and reconnaissance.

The Admiralty believes it unlikely that Vice Admiral Skrydloff will attempt to follow the bold torpedo boat tactics of Vice Admiral Makarov. It is known that the Russian torpedo boats went almost to Chifu on the night before the Petropavlovsk disaster.

The story that an attempt was made on General Kuropatkin's life by two disguised Japanese while the new commander was in New-Chowang, a few days ago, is confirmed. The would-be assassins were impersonated Chinese beggars. They were false quick on the night before the Petropavlovsk disaster.

Some excitement was caused this afternoon by reports that the Japanese had been discovered south of the River Neva, where they had been planted by the Japanese to blow up the battleships of the fleet.

The Japanese battle fleet, which was at the works at St. Petersburg for construction to receive their guns. The report grew out of the sighting of floating mines and caps which had been dropped through the ice over a year ago.

## JAPANESE TRY TO BAIT THE RUSSIANS

PORT ARTHUR, April 23.—The Japanese have failed in what is believed to have been a ruse to entice the Russian ships out of Port Arthur. Several men-of-war were sighted immediately after the battleship Petropavlovsk was blown up, steaming rapidly towards Port Arthur with other ships pursuing them and firing at them.

It is possible that it was a chase of merchantmen, but the opinion is that the Japanese were attempting to get a junction with the Port Arthur fleet. Knowing the whereabouts of the cruisers, however, the Russian fleet did not go out and the Japanese ships retired.

## LORD BROOKE TO BE A WAR CORRESPONDENT

LONDON, April 23.—To a number of famous and interesting personalities now gathered up by the son, who came up in the (CONTINUED ON PAGE 2, COL. 3.)

## SAYS BOTH FATHER AND SON LED DOUBLE LIFE

State's Attorney Claims Good Citizens in Daytime Were Robbers at Night.

## LIKE JEKYLL AND HYDE

CHICAGO, April 23.—Respected and law-abiding citizens by day and expert railroad thieves at night is the life that the State is seeking to show a jury has been led by Daniel C. Creider, a carpenter, and his son Charles, who are on trial. Many friends of the Creiders, however, are willing to testify to the good character of both father and son.

Thousands of dollars' worth of property, it is charged, has been stolen from the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Company by the Creiders, the plan being, it is charged, for the elder Creider to board incoming freight trains near Chicago, pry open the door of a car and throw out various articles of merchandise, which were gathered up by the son, who took them home, the elder Creider afterward finding a sale for the stolen property.

## "LORD" BARRINGTON SENTENCED TO DEATH

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 23.—Sentence of death was today passed on "Lord" Frederick Seymour Barrington in the Circuit Court at Clayton, who was recently convicted of having killed James P. McCann, his benefactor. Judge McElhinney set the date for the execution on June 14, but later granted a stay of execution until after July 23.

# GEN. THOMAS J. BRADY DEAD AT JERSEY CITY

Pneumonia Carries Away a Noted Figure in the Nation's Military and Civic History.

## WAS NATIVE OF MUNCIE

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MUNCIE, Ind., April 23.—Word was received here to-night that General Thomas J. Brady had died, to-day, of pneumonia, in the Jersey Hospital at Jersey City.

General Brady was born in Muncie on Feb. 12, 1840. He received his education at Asbury (now De Pauw) University. He was the first company that went to the civil war from Delaware county. He was rapidly promoted until he became brigadier general of volunteers. He married Miss Emeline Wolfe, of Muncie, in 1864. In 1870 President Grant appointed him consul to St. Thomas, Danish West Indies. In 1874, while chairman of the Republican state committee, in 1875 he was appointed by President Grant supervisor of internal revenue for Ohio and Indiana. In 1876 President Grant appointed him second assistant postmaster general, which place he held until 1881, serving during the few months of the Garfield administration and figuring prominently with Stephen Dorsey in the Star route trials.

General Brady was a prominent figure on Wall street, where his office was, and was the father of Arthur W. Brady, general counsel for the Indiana Union Traction Company. Mrs. Frank C. Brady, of Brookville, wife of the artist of that name. A brother, Samuel F. Brady, also survives.

## ANOTHER ADV. IN BABY FORM, FOR W. R. HEARST

WASHINGTON, April 23.—A son was born to-night to Mr. and Mrs. William Randolph Hearst.

## GRAFT STORY INVOLVING \$200,000 IS ALLEGED

Conspiracy That Is Said to Involve a New York Republican Leader.

## POLICEMAN PAYS \$5,000

NEW YORK, April 23.—A remarkable charge of conspiracy involving a prominent Republican district leader, the purpose of which, it is alleged, was to procure money from applicants for positions on the police force, was made in the West Side Police Court today by William Duke. At the same time he stated that the district attorney's office is in full possession of the facts of the case.

Duke's appearance in court and his story of alleged juggling in police appointments was brought about by a summons issued at the instance of James E. Fitzpatrick, who claims that he paid \$500 last August to get a position as patrolman. The expected appointment was not made, he said, and all attempts to get his money back had failed. When the case came up in court to-day Duke started the magistrate with his story. He said that more than \$200,000 was involved in the scheme and that he had personal knowledge of an instance where a roundsman paid \$5,000 to secure a sergeantcy.

## Mckinley Monument Contract.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 23.—The contract for the construction of the McKinley monument authorized by the State was signed to-day. The monument, which will be of marble, will be erected in Niagara square, this city, and will cost \$50,000. Work will be begun at once.

## Receiver for Buggy Company.

CINCINNATI, April 23.—Judge A. C. Thompson, of the United States Court, today appointed George S. Haydock, of this city, temporary receiver for the Decatur Buggy Company, of Middletown, O., which assigned two weeks ago. Haydock's bond was fixed at \$50,000.

# WOMAN AND CHILD SAVED BY MAN'S QUICK BRAVERY

William Southern Stops a Runaway Horse Within Ten Feet of a Train.

## WOMAN DIDN'T GIVE NAME

A woman and a little child were saved from possible death yesterday afternoon by the quickness and bravery of William Southern, 1220 Roosevelt avenue, who is employed as a driver by Plummer & Buchanan. Southern had been detained at his home and was walking down town when at Tenth street and Massachusetts avenue he saw a horse coming rapidly down Tenth street, evidently beyond control. As the swiftly moving vehicle approached he could see that the woman who was driving was terrified, and that the animal was wild with fright. A train was just pulling across the street, which added an element of great danger.

Southern acted quickly, and running to the middle of the street, caught the horse at the bit. He was dragged almost thirty feet before the animal gave up the struggle and became quiet. The point where the vehicle was finally stopped was less than ten feet from the train which was moving swiftly across the street. The woman thanked her rescuer, took his name and drove down Tenth street without revealing her identity. Southern was badly bruised in his struggle with the horse and was compelled to visit a physician, who dressed his injuries.

## BRAKEMAN SHOT BY A HIGHWAYMAN

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

HAMMOND, Ind., April 23.—Wilfred Back, brakeman on the Wabash, was shot in the stomach by a highwayman at Hegewisch this evening and fatally wounded. He was brought to St. Margaret's Hospital in this city. His home was in Montpelier, O. The robber secured a gold watch and considerable money.

## INDIANA MAN COMMITS SUICIDE IN PORTO RICO

Immigration Inspector Frederick V. Martin, of Attica, Cuts His Throat.

## BROODED OVER FINANCES

SAN JUAN, P. R., April 23.—Frederick V. Martin, of Indiana, commissioner of immigration for Porto Rico, committed suicide to-night by cutting his throat. His body was discovered this morning. The cause of Mr. Martin's act was brooding over private financial matters. The affairs of his office are believed to be in good shape.

## Well Known at Lafayette.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., April 23.—F. V. Martin, although his home was at Attica, twelve miles west of here, was very well known in this city and news of his tragic end caused deep grief among his friends, with whom he was very popular. At one time he was district chancellor of the Knights of Pythias and in this office he became acquainted with hundreds in northern Indiana. His brother Harvey is treasurer of Fountain county. Frederick Martin was first lieutenant of the Attica Battery of the Indiana National Guard, organized by Major H. B. Schanz, and was with the company during a week's encampment at Camp Charles E. Wilson at the Tippecanoe county fair grounds.

## WATCHMAN AND THIEVES ENGAGE IN FATAL FIGHT

One Man Slain and Two Seriously Injured in Battle at Stockyards.

## ONE ROBBER CAPTURED

CHICAGO, April 23.—Arthur Clemons, watchman, was killed, Peter McGee, watchman, was probably fatally wounded, and George Walsh was severely wounded in a fight between watchmen and thieves in the stockyards to-night.

The fight occurred at the plant of the International Packing Company. The watchmen were making their first round for the night when they discovered two men in a smokehouse stealing hams. The thieves started to run and one of them escaped. Clemons seized Walsh, who pressed a revolver against Clemons' breast and killed him at the first shot. McGee ran to help Clemons, firing on Walsh as he ran toward him. Walsh fell to the floor, but regained his feet and shot McGee three times. He then staggered to his feet and attempted to escape, but was intercepted by other employees of the place and held until the police arrived.

At the hospital the wounded man gave his name as George Walsh and said he was twenty years old.

## ALICE ROOSEVELT HAS THE GERMAN MEASLES

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Miss Roosevelt is suffering from a slight attack of German measles. As she is isolated from the rest of the household physicians do not think it is necessary for Mrs. Roosevelt to recall invitations for Monday afternoon.

# JAMES M. JONES RETIRES FROM STREET-CAR COMPANY

Assistant General Manager of the Corporation Has Handed in His Resignation.

## WANTS PERIOD OF REST

Personal Affairs Also Need Attention—Was Formerly Mayor of Kansas City.

James M. Jones, for nearly four years assistant general manager of the Indianapolis Street-railway Company, yesterday tendered his resignation to President Hugh J. McGowan.

While the resignation came as something of a surprise, it is understood that Mr. Jones had been for some time considering the matter of severing his connection with the company. When asked last night by a Journal reporter if it were true that he had resigned Mr. Jones answered in the affirmative.

"I have," said he, "been actively connected with the management of the Indianapolis Street-railway Company for nearly four years, and feel that I have earned a rest. I also have some personal business affairs hanging over me which I feel now need my attention. I shall remain in Indianapolis for some time, but am not now prepared to state where I shall eventually locate."

When asked if he knew whether or not his resignation had been made as to his successor, Mr. Jones replied that he did not.

Mr. Jones came to Indianapolis from Kansas City, where he had for a good many years been an intimate associate of Mr. McGowan. For the four years prior to his residence in Indianapolis he was mayor of Kansas City and was actively identified with the business interests of that town.

During his official connection with the Indianapolis Street-railway Company Mr. Jones was associated in one way or another with many of the business men of the city, as well as with city officials, and easily made many friends.

## WINCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT WAS KIDNAPED

Kept Under Close Guard in the Woods During the Hours of an Oratorical Contest.

## COMPANION ALSO TAKEN

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WINCHESTER, Ind., April 23.—Last night's primary high school oratorical contest was signalized by the kidnaping of a senior by several as yet unknown persons. John Macy, son of Judge Macy, as president of the oratorical association, was on the programme for an address of welcome. Early in the evening he was on his way to the church in company with Chauncey Canada, son of Silas Canada, and when near the church was waylaid by five or six men in disguise. He was taken to a carriage and driven out of town to a lone place known as the Kent Brown woods, because it was there that Kent Brown, a colored barber, was murdered, and there kept until almost 11 o'clock. During the whole time the party had him in charge they conversed in whispers and kept their identity concealed. Young Canada was bound and gagged and a close watch kept over him until the party escaped with Macy. When he was permitted to proceed to the contest. Later in the night Macy was returned to the outskirts of the town and given his liberty, but too late for him to attend the contest.

The contest was held at the Methodist Church, for the purpose of selecting representatives for a contest with the Union City High School to be held at the Union Grand Theater in that city on May 12. The contestants in declamation were Pearl Mace, Lora Canada and Nona Baker, whose grades were in the order named. Lulu Nelson and Welby Watson competed for first place in oratory.

# HEARST MAKES A STRONG FIGHT IN INDIANA, BUT GETS MEAGER REWARD

Wages His Hardest Battle in Montgomery County, and Elects Eight of His Men.

## THIRTEEN FOR PARKER

Hamilton County Democratic Convention Instructs for the New Yorker—Results Elsewhere.

The supporters of W. R. Hearst did not secure as many delegates as they expected at the Democratic county conventions held in Indiana yesterday. In Montgomery, where the Parker and Hearst factions clashed hardest, thirteen of the delegates chosen are for Parker and eight for Hearst. In Hamilton all the fifteen delegates are for Parker. Cass county Parker men claim twenty out of the twenty-three delegates, while the Hearst supporters say they will have four. In Bartholomew county there is only one Hearst delegate. In Jay, however, the Hearst faction claims twelve of the seventeen men who will vote in the state convention. Parkerites swept Hancock, nominated Wm. Washburn, and the Gibson county delegates are for Hearst. Several counties did not report last night.

## PARKER THIRTEEN AND HEARST EIGHT

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., April 23.—Thirteen delegates for Parker and eight for Hearst is the net result of to-day's Democratic conventions in Montgomery county, to select delegates to the state convention to be held on May 12. The contest was bitter from start to finish and will not fail to leave its scars. Nearly every Democrat in the county was aligned in the contest. The preliminary results of the convention, and the bitterness of the antecedent struggles was carried to the day of the convention.

The first skirmish was over the selection of a permanent chairman. M. E. Clodfelter presented the name of Emerson Ballard, on behalf of the Hearstites, and during his speech he was hissed and howled at, but finished in good order. The Parker men nominated Wm. Washburn, and their spokesman was the recipient of compliments in kind. The Hearst forces demanded a standing vote, but this was denied, and Washburn was declared elected and took the chair amid a pandemonium of hisses, yells and cat-calls. Emerson Ballard moved to have the selection of delegates referred back to the township committee arranged under which the contest was held on May 7, but it was voted down over the angry protests of the Hearstites. Ballard and others failed to secure recognition on points of order, and the committee on resolutions was appointed. The township delegations were instructed to meet in designated places to select delegates, and a fight over the endorsement of a presidential candidate was waged by a preconcerted arrangement under which the convention was declared adjourned before the committee on resolutions could report.

There were bitter contests in all the township meetings. Eight townships, or all but two of the townships, selected Hearst delegates, showing that the Hearst strength lies in the rural districts. The Parker men carried Union township in which is Crawfordsville, with its preponderance of delegates. The net result was two out of two townships, makes the net result 13 to 8 in favor of Parker.

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# BRYAN SCORES IN FAVOR OF DEMOCRACY'S PLATFORM AND CANDIDATE PARKER

Bitter Speech by the Nebraskan in a Hired Hall Full of Chicago Hearstites.

## SAYS HE IS NEUTRAL

But He Wants No Corporation-Controlled Man at the Head of His Party Ticket.

## PLATFORM IS EVASIVE

Dishonest and Ambiguous, and Bids for Support of Trusts, Mr. Bryan Asserts.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

CHICAGO, April 23.—William Jennings Bryan to-night hired a hall in this city—the Second Regiment armory—and "spoke his mind" about the New York Democratic platform and Candidate Parker. Figuratively speaking, he smote the New Yorker with a huge snickersne which had been ground to a fine edge in the Nebraskan's newspaper office. David Bennett Hill also was stayed.

Mr. Bryan's great "knifing" exhibition was much enjoyed by the large audience, which was composed mainly of Hearstites. Indeed, it was rumored that, although Bryan hired the hall and paid all the expenses of the meeting, the money came from the treasury of the "yellow" candidate. Mr. Bryan did not boom Hearst, or any other man for that matter, but the "lam-basted" the New York Democracy in a merciless manner. The Albany platform was denounced as dishonest and hypocritical and a bid for the support of great corporations. It was condemned for ignoring the money and trust questions and omitting the money, labor, income tax, tariff and trust questions and omitting mention of imperialism. Here are a few sentences from the speech:

"Judge Parker is not a fit man to be nominated."

"The New York platform is a dishonest platform, fit only for a dishonest party. No one but an artful dodger would stand upon it."

"The New York platform is ambiguous, uncertain, evasive and dishonest. It would disgrace the Democrats of the Nation to adopt such a platform, and it ought to defeat, as an aspirant for a Democratic nomination, any